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TO : Chief, MC
FROM : Chief of Base, Pullach
SUBJECT: GENERAL— Operation 51/ZIPPER

DATE: 2 April 1963

SPECIFIC— Walter SCHELLERBERG Memoires

1. During [] recent visit to POS, the status of the SCHELLERBERG Memoires was raised by him to ~~WERNER KLEIN~~.

2. Contrary to previous expectations that ZIPPER could lay their hands on the original manuscripts which would permit us a quick lock-up, we have now been informed ZIPPER cannot yet get their hands on the manuscript.

3. The following outline of the situation was reported:

- (a) Sven KLEIN arranged for the sale of the basic rights of the book to the Scherz Verlag in Switzerland. KLEIN continued his efforts to find publishers elsewhere, notably in the United States. After SCHELLERBERG's death, his wife withdrew the manuscript from KLEIN, presumably in order to attempt to peddle it herself. In this way it landed with Quick Magazine which now has it.
- (b) ZIPPER was made aware of the manuscript by KLEIN, who got a look at it at Quick. They promptly encouraged him to compete for the job of editing it. No dice. They have someone else in mind. Furthermore, according to Quick, the Swiss authorities are making difficulties which render it impossible for the time being for SCHELLERBERG to release the book to Quick (that is, permit Quick to publish it). There the matter now stands.
- (c) An additional wrinkle is the team of ERNST and SCHMITZ of UVS q.v., who have made some arrangement with Frau SCHELLERBERG, according to which nothing can be published without their concurrence. We're not clear about the relationship between Frau SCHELLERBERG and these two. In any case, SCHMITZ is the ZIPPER man in the picture, and ZIPPER feels safe from anything derogatory or objectionable which may be present in the original. SCHELLERBERG had no time for UTILITY, and there are some snatty remarks about him.

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b. BREWER's hopes on actually getting its hands on the manuscript
lay with PEARL and this hope appears now to be gone, at least for the
time being.

c. We could get a look at it easily by having NUJULP persuade a
good American publisher to ask to have a look at it without any other
necessary commitment. It would be of interest to learn the details of
the anti-TUFTY remarks contained in the manuscript.

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